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SUBJECT: CU ALLOCATION FOR TRANSITION QUARTER

REF: (A) STATE 110811 (B) STATE 199117 (C) BROWN-HARDY-  
ANDEREGG TELCON AUG. 10

1. REF. A. INFORMED POST THAT DOLS. 46,200 HAD BEEN ALLOCATED TO NIGERIA FOR TRANSITION QUARTER, A FIGURE WITH WHICH IT PROCEEDED TO PLAN FOR HIGH PRIORITY PROJECTS. COPIES OF TQ PRIORITY LIST FORWARDED CU/AF RECENTLY.

2. REF. B. SUGGESTS THAT "POST PROCEED NOW TO ALLOCATE ITS TQ FUNDS, SINCE AUGUST 15 APPROACHING AND NOMINATION OF AJAYI AND AGIRI WILL ABOUT CONSUME TOTAL ALLOCATION."

3. POST FINDS REF.B. NEWS DISTURBING SINCE THERE ARE SEVERAL PROJECTS WELL UNDERWAY, SOME OF THEM COMITMENTS. POST WAS ONLY INCIDENTALLY INFORMED (REF.C.) THAT FIVE GRANTS IT HAD CONSIDERED FY-76 HOLDOVERS BY PREVIOUS AGREEMENT WITH DEPARTMENT HAD IN FACT BEEN CHARGED TO TQ. THIS CAREFUL PLANNING IS NOW THREATENED BY DEPARTMENT'S UNILATERAL ACTION.

4. RE SMITHSONIAN CONFERENCE, POST UNDERSTANDS THAT FOUR NIGERIAN HAVE BEEN INVITED (AJAYI, AGIRI, OLOKO, OPUBOR). LIKELY ASJAYI WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT: AGIRI PROBABLY WILL BE AT UWISCONSIN ON RESEARCH GRANT (SEE LAGOS 9239), LEAVING OLOKO AND OPUBOR FOR FULL IV GRANTS. EVEN SO, POST'S UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT REGIONAL OR BCICA FUNDS WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO TAKE UP ANY SLACK.

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5. OTHER PROJECTS NOW JEOPARDIZED, INCLUDE SISTER CITY, FOR WHICH WE COMMITTED TO SENDING LAGOS CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE, AND USIS STUDENT COUNSELLOR, WHICH POST MAY NOW HAVE TO FUND FROM GOE UNDER NEP.

6. TO HELP POST PLAN, WOULD APPRECIATE FROM DEPARTMENT FULL LIST OF WHAT IS CONSIDERED COMMITTED (REF. B., PARA 3). ADVISE PROSPECTS FALLOUT FUNDING TO COVER REMAINDER.

7. SINCE AUGUST 15 DEADLINE WAS CU'S OWN DATE, POST ASSUMES CUTOFF WILL NOT BE APPLIED AS OBVIOUSLY POST HAS SOLID PLANS FOR USE OF FUNDS, ONCE THEIR AVAILABILITY BECOMES CLARIFIED.  
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